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The Honorable Jim Ananich, Minority Vice Chair
Joint Select Committee on the Flint
Water Public Health Emergency
P.O. Box 30036
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Dear Senator Ananich:

I am responding to the questions you sent to Senator Stamas on April 20, 2016 for the Public Hearing scheduled on April 25, 2016.

MDHHS: Nick Lyon

- 1. Please provide a list of dates and times you met with members of the Flint Water Advisory Task Force. Please also share any documents or materials you shared with the Task Force.**

I did not meet with the Flint Water Advisory Task Force. The following MDHHS staff met with the Task Force on November 18, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.: Tim Becker, Susan Moran, Geralyn Lasher and Dr. Eden Wells. I understand that on February 18, 2016, at 12:00 p.m., MDHHS staffer Cristin Harder met with Chris Kolb, and that she met with Dr. Matt Davis on March 11, 2016, at 4:00 p.m.

The documents will be forthcoming, pdf files attached within e-mails.

- 2. In a March 16, 2016, letter to Governor Snyder, Representatives Elijah Cummings (D- Maryland) and Brenda Lawrence (D-Michigan) stated that you refused to be interviewed by House Oversight and Government Reform committee staff. Why did you refuse? Were you instructed not to comply with the interview request? If so, who gave you that instruction?**

We have cooperated with Congress, the Governor appeared and testified on behalf of the state of Michigan. I also testified before two subcommittees of the House Energy and Commerce Committee on April 13, 2016.

3. Has your department investigated any employees' participation in either the lead or Legionella aspects of the Flint water crisis for possible disciplinary action? If so, please provide a list of those MDHHS employees, including the date the investigation was initiated and current status of the investigation.

The Department began an internal review of voluminous employee emails and documents in early February. The conclusion of that review has been put on hold in light of the investigation presently being undertaken by the Office of Auditor General and the DHHS Inspector General.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide responses to your questions. If you have further questions or need clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Nick Lyon
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Enclosures

cc: Senator Joe Hune
Senator Jim Stamas, Chair
Representative Ed McBroom, Vice Chair
Representative Ed Canfield
Representative Jeff Irwin